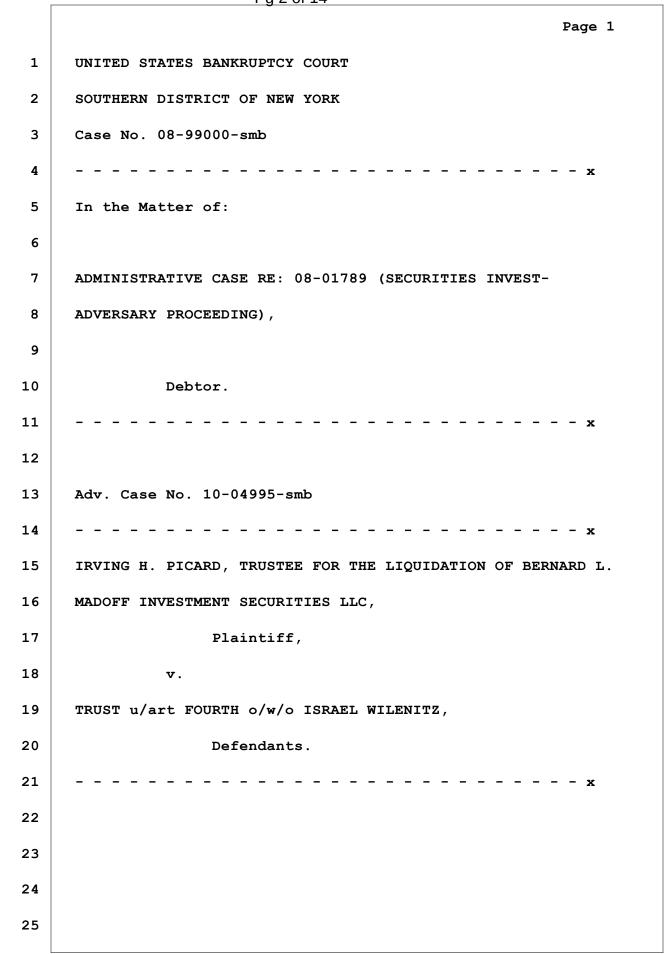
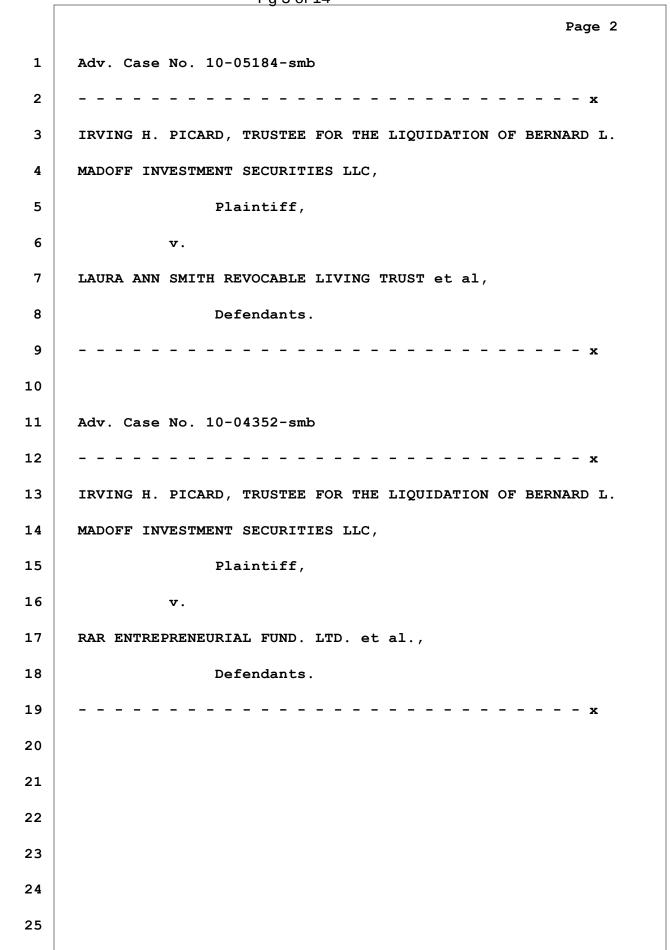
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these same things in all of those cases.

What the Trustee has done in discovery in this case is quite remarkable, and I believe unprecedented, and we're very proud of it. Without even receiving a discovery request, we provide every single defendant with what we refer to as their core account documents, which are their customer statements, the cash activity of their accounts, their correspondence files with all of their correspondence to and from BLMIS over the life of their account; the account opening and closing documents; and in addition to that all of the applicable financial statements from BLMIS's financial institutions showing the bank transfer records from those independent third parties with respect to the cash activity in each and every single account.

Where we don't have a complete set of customer statements, we produce portfolio management reports, which contain exactly the same information of the cash activity over the life of the account. Where we don't have those, we produce spiral notebooks where various employees over time at BMOIS kept meticulous notes of that cash transaction activity.

And we provide that to every defendant. Wilenitz is no exception. We produced, I believe, approximately, 19,000 records that we've indexed to make it easy for the defendant to navigate exactly what's in that --

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1	THE COURT: 19,000 records for Wilenitz?
2	MR. JACOBS: For the Wilenitz accounts, correct,
3	over the life of their accounts. And that includes all of
4	the items that I just discussed.
5	In addition to that, obviously, it is the
6	Trustee's burden of proof to prove that BLMIS was operating
7	a fraudulent Ponzi scheme and was insolvent. So, as the
8	Court I believe
9	THE COURT: Why do you have to prove insolvency?
10	You don't have to prove insolvency for an intentional
11	fraudulent transfer. These are good faith cases.
12	MR. JACOBS: Right. Well, that is, I believe, our
13	burden in the bad faith actions as well.
14	THE COURT: Why? To prove insolvency in an actual
15	fraudulent transfer claim I've never heard of that.
16	MR. JACOBS: Well, that may very well be correct,
17	Your Honor, but nonetheless, we have endeavored to make all
18	of BMOIS's financial records available.
19	THE COURT: Let me ask, Ms. Chaitman, do you think
20	that insolvency is an issue in these cases? Since their
21	limited to intentional fraudulent transfers?
22	MS. CHAITMAN: I do, Your Honor.
23	THE COURT: Why?
24	MS. CHAITMAN: If, in fact, they could only
25	recover transfers made within the last two years, then the

Wilenitz matter, but a copy of that report has been served to Ms. Chaitman on behalf of some of her other clients in different proceedings. And in Section 4C of the procedures order, that permits the Trustee to handle the voluminous nature of discovery that's potentially relevant in this case in that fashion.

THE COURT: Well, does Ms. Chaitman or any other - clients or any other defendant have the ability to look at
the same documents that your expert looked at and draw their
own conclusions?

MR. JACOBS: Absolutely. Every single document -what we've endeavored to do, Your Honor, is that what we
refer to as Electronic Data Room 1 contains all of the
underlying documents considered by Mr. Dubinsky and we're
also building upon that in including documents that our
other experts who we may offer to prove transactions and who
do other functions, all of those documents as well. So,
that's approximately 4 million records. Not pages, but
records.

And it's an enormous amount of data that I believe is unprecedented, at least in my career, and for that reason we've structured the data room in a very organized fashion with issue trees. So if you're a participant who's accessing the data room, you'll see something that you might be familiar with already in terms of like, an Outlook email

folder tree that has topics, broken down documents, financials, third party records; and then each of those trees can be broken down further to drill down to J.P. Morgan statements. You know, Chicago Options Trading information, Depository Trust Clearing Corporation documents; all of those types of things. It's also searchable.

So, absolutely the Defendant has the ability to conduct whatever investigation they believe is relevant to the claims of their defenses, the same that our expert did, and they have access to all the same information that our expert did. And we did that to be transparent and to provide any data that any litigant believes that they should have access to.

So, that's the starting point of where we are in discovery. And then because Section 4C of the procedures order allows us to provide a summary report, we do that.

And Mr. Dubinsky painstakingly analyzes the Ponzi scheme and the IA business specifically, but also the other aspects of BLMIS's businesses as well. And issues of insolvency are also part of his analysis to the extent they may bear on the Ponzi scheme or on other proofs we may have, or have had at some point in our cases.

But all of the financials are considered, the Ponzi scheme is considered, the stock-trading activity or

Page 61 1 THE COURT: And, again, this comes back to my 2 understanding of the records. If you have tables of content 3 or indices... MR. JACOBS: I do. 5 THE COURT: I don't want to see them now. 6 MR. JACOBS: Okay. 7 THE COURT: If you have those things and somebody can look at them and see the subject matter of what they 8 9 want to look at, figure out what to look at, fine. 10 MR. JACOBS: There is a subfolder in Data Room 1 11 that is called DTC that has all of those records. 12 MS. CHAITMAN: I'm not asking for -- I have the 13 DTC records. 14 THE COURT: She wants other non-DTC records. 15 MR. JACOBS: To the extent we have them in 16 addition to publicly available information that we obtain, 17 it's all in the data room clearly labeled. THE COURT: You'll have to show me when the time 18 19 comes. 17 -- these are the number of employees that work 20 for each unit. 21 MR. JACOBS: Yes, Your Honor. And as I had 22 mentioned before, we provided a specific chart that contains 23 this exact information, even though I believe we're not obligated to because it had already been made available in 24 25 the data room and could've been found with the click of a

shows up in Wilenitz's account statement, you can make the argument that he actually owned that stock. But you can do that (indiscernible) and the information has been made available to you.

And the sense I'm getting -- and I understand that it's a lot of work -- is you want the Trustee to do this for you, but you're going to have to do this yourself if this stuff is available.

MS. CHAITMAN: You know, Judge, with 4 million pages of documents, the least the Trustee could do is specify the specific Bates Numbers. Because I don't want to be in a position where we go to trial... I mean, for all I know, the data room is updated constantly and new documents are added. How am I going to prove at trial that certain documents were not made available to me? I mean, it's impossible. Why can't the Trustee be bound to tell me these are the documents responsive to this request?

THE COURT: But that doesn't solve your problem...

Well, if the Trustee has additional documents, he's got to supplement the disclosure or the production, which he does by adding them to the data room, and maybe you have a continuing duty to check the data room.

But part of the problem is you've thrown such a broad net over what you're looking for, instead of the specific documents relevant -- that I think seem to be

relevant to this particular case, that you run into a situation where there may be documents added about something but they have nothing to do with Wilenitz.

MR. JACOBS: And, Your Honor, specifically to respond to Ms. Chaitman's concern about the data room being voluminous, and I understand that 4 million records is overwhelming, but that's the reason why the procedures order permits us to provide an expert summary report to support our claims and to satisfy our burdens of proof, which specifically discusses all of that data, identifies all of the Bates Numbers of the documents that are used to support various conclusions -- and at a minimum, Ms. Chaitman is free to depose those experts and to test and challenge any of those analyses based on any of the documents they've relied upon or that she has access to in discovery.

And no one's challenging her right to do that.

What we're saying is that we shouldn't have to do more than what we've already done because we have invested enormous amounts of resources and time in finding a way to make all of those information available to all litigants in order for them to conduct their own investigations and have access to the same information that we do.

THE COURT: Well, you know, I started out by saying, I can't tell you not to make a motion to compel, but I think that if you go back, for example, and look at the

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